

2024 Tournament Criteria for USTA Georgia Junior National Level 6

- 1. The tournament must meet "Junior Requirements for Sanctioned Tournaments and Junior Circuits".
- 2. The tournament must use at least one USTA-certified official (separate from the Referee) for each eight (8) courts used, per site. **Tournament Directors must be SafeSport certified.**
- 3. National Level 6 tournaments are open to all players, ages 12-18, regardless of past or current rankings.
- 4. Trophies must be provided for 1st and 2nd places in both the main draw and consolation in all completed events. Medals or trophies may be offered for 3rd and 4th place and are highly encouraged.
- The tournament must supply USTA-approved balls suitable to the surface.
- 6. Singles scoring format is two tiebreak sets with ad, 10-point tiebreak at one set all. Scoring format must be posted on tournament website. Click on the web info tab and then paste under tournament details. Draws are limited to 16 players so draws must be split if accepting more than 17 players. If you do split draws, seed AFTER splitting the draw and USE the waterfall method of splitting the draws.
- 7. Doubles scoring format is an 8-game pro set. Ad or No-Ad scoring may be used. Format must be posted on the tournament webpage.
- 8. The match format must be one of the following as recognized by USTA: Single Elimination (Doubles Only), FIC through Quarterfinals, or Round Robin so that each player is guaranteed a minimum of two matches. Any draw with fewer than six (6) Entrants must be played as a Round Robin.
- 9. Doubles are strongly encouraged. If a tournament sanctions main draw, FIC, and doubles, the draws will be limited to 2 draws of 16 for singles and one draw of 16 teams for doubles.
- 10. Must post on tournament webpage what player gift is offered.
- 11. All National Level 6 tournaments in metro-Atlanta are limited to 16-draws during the ALTA season, due to court limitations. Please contact the USTA Georgia office for specifics.
- 12. Selection and Seeding Guidelines:
 - All National Level 6 events should make player selections in ServeTennis using the National Combined Standings List.
 - Players are primarily seeded using the National Combined Standings List. Seeding must use the same list as the selection list.

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13. Entry fees will be as follows:	<u>BG12-18</u>
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Singles ONLY	\$73.00
Singles and Doubles	\$78.00
Doubles only	\$39.00

Tournaments should use these fees as a guideline. Tournaments that do not use flat rates will be evaluated by S&S on an individual basis. For players registering for **ONLY** doubles, the tournament director may charge up to half of the singles' entry fee per player. These fees include the ServeTennis Fee and the administrative fee of \$2 per player. A player gift must be given.

- 14. The Refund policy regarding inclement weather must be posted on the tournament website by the close of entries.
- 15. Your Late Entry Policy must be stated on the tournament webpage.
- 16. To be specified as a National Level 6 tournament, the above guidelines <u>must</u> be followed.
- 17. The Junior Competition Committee recommends to the Sanction & Schedule Committee(S&S) that new Tournament Directors (those who did not sanction events in the prior year) be limited to no more than two (2) tournaments in their first year, at either National Level 7 or National Level 6.